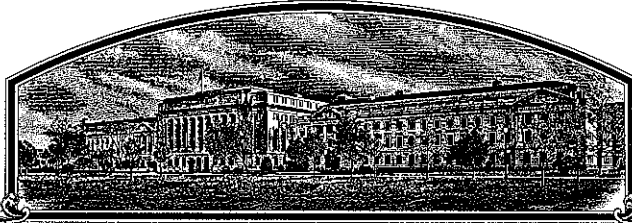


No.

9200242



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF *eighteen* YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT. THE UNITED STATES SEED OF THIS VARIETY (1) SHALL BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS OFFICIAL CERTIFIED SEED AND (2) SHALL CONFORM TO THE NUMBER OF GENERATIONS SPECIFIED BY THE OWNER OF THE RIGHTS. (34 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

SOYBEAN

'Agassiz'

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand and caused the seal of the Plant
Variety Protection Office to be affixed
at the City of Washington, D.C.
this 30th day of November in
the year of our Lord one thousand nine
hundred and ninety-four.

Attest

Kenneth H. Evans
Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office
Agricultural Marketing Service

Mike Egan
Secretary of Agriculture

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE
(Instructions on reverse)

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) (as it is to appear on the Certificate) Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NO. M84-456	3. VARIETY NAME Agassiz
4. ADDRESS (street and no. or R.F.D. no., city, state, and ZIP) University of Minnesota 220 Coffey Hall 1420 Eckles Avenue St. Paul, MN 55108		5. PHONE (include area code) (612) 625-4211	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 9200242 FILING DATE August 20, 1992 Time 3:00 <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P.M. FILING AND EXAMINATION FEE: \$ 2150.00 Date August 20, 1992 Certificate Fee: \$ 250.00 Date Oct 13, 1994
6. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME Glycine max	7. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) Leguminosae		
8. CROP KIND NAME (Common Name) Soybean	9. DATE OF DETERMINATION November 12, 1991		
10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON," GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (Corporation, partnership, association, etc.) State Agricultural Experiment Station			
11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION		12. DATE OF INCORPORATION	

13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS

J.H. Orf
Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, 411 Borlaug Hall
University of Minnesota
1991 Upper Buford Circle
St. Paul, MN 55108

PHONE (include area code): (612) 625-8275

14. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED (Follow INSTRUCTIONS on reverse)

- a. ☒ Exhibit A, Origin and Breeding History of the Variety
- b. ☒ Exhibit B, Novelty Statement.
- c. ☒ Exhibit C, Objective Description of Variety.
- d. ☐ Exhibit D, Additional Description of Variety.
- e. ☒ Exhibit E, Statement of the Basis of Applicant's Ownership.
- f. ☒ Seed Sample (2,500 viable untreated seeds). Date Seed Sample mailed to Plant Variety Protection Office _____
- g. ☒ Filing and Examination Fee (\$2,150) made payable to "Treasurer of the United States."

15. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act.)

☒ YES (If "YES," answer items 16 and 17 below)

☐ NO (If "NO," skip to item 18 below)

16. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS?

☒ YES

☐ NO

17. IF "YES" TO ITEM 16, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED?

☒ FOUNDATION

☒ REGISTERED

☒ CERTIFIED

18. DID THE APPLICANT(S) PREVIOUSLY FILE FOR PROTECTION OF THE VARIETY IN THE U.S.?

☐ YES (If "YES," through _____ Plant Variety Protection Act

☒ NO

☐ Patent Act. Give date: _____

19. HAS THE VARIETY BEEN RELEASED, USED, OFFERED FOR SALE, OR MARKETING IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES?

☐ YES (If "YES," give names of countries and dates)

☒ NO

20. The applicant(s) declare(s) that a viable sample of basic seeds of this variety will be furnished with the application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable.

The undersigned applicant(s) is (are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced novel plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is distinct, uniform, and stable as required in section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.

Applicant(s) is (are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT [Owner(s)]

CAPACITY OR TITLE

DATE

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

8-18-92

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT [Owner(s)]

CAPACITY OR TITLE

DATE

Exhibit A

Origin and Breeding History of Agassiz Soybean

'Agassiz' traces to the F_5 progeny of a F_4 plant harvested from a population that had been advanced by a modified single seed descent procedure from the cross Simpson x M71-148. M71-148 is a selection from the cross Clay x Evans. Bulk seed of the F_5 row was designated M84-456 and was used for yield testing in the F_6 (1985). Subsequent tests of strain M84-456 were conducted in Minnesota in the F_7 (1986) and F_8 (1987). In the F_8 generation 50 typical plants were harvested individually to initiate purification for observable traits including reaction to race 1 of phytophthora root rot. In the F_9 (1988), M84-456 was entered in the maturity group 00 Uniform Regional Soybean Test. In 1988, twenty-nine plant rows were grown for purification purposes. Eighteen rows appeared uniform for plant and seed characteristics including resistance to race 1 of phytophthora root rot, therefore, seed of these rows were bulked to provide breeder's seed. In the F_{10} (1989), F_{11} (1990) and F_{12} (1991), M84-456 was tested in the Uniform Regional Soybean Test Maturity Group 00. In the F_{10} (1989) all small increase of breeders seed was made. In the F_{11} (1990) Foundation seed was produced by the Minnesota Foundation seed organization. The foundation seed produced was shared with other states for increase. In the F_{12} (1991) seed was increased and M84-456 was approved for release as Agassiz. On February 14, 1992, seed of Agassiz was released to registered and/or certified growers in Minnesota and North Dakota. No off-type variants were noted in the seed multiplication process of Agassiz over three generations. This variety breeds true and meets certification standards.

Exhibit B

Novelty Statement

'Agassiz' is most similar to 'Clay'. Agassiz is approximately one day earlier than Clay. Agassiz has about two percent higher yield potential than Clay. Agassiz is about one inch taller than Clay. Seeds of Agassiz are 1.8 grams per 100 seeds smaller than Clay and have slightly poorer seed quality. Seeds of Agassiz are higher in protein content and slightly lower in oil content than Clay. Agassiz carries the Rps1 gene for resistance to phytophthora root rot while Clay has the rps gene, thus Agassiz is resistant to race 1 of phytophthora and Clay is susceptible in greenhouse hypocotyl inoculation tests.

Data comparing Agassiz and Clay is taken from the Uniform Soybean Test 00, Northern States 1988-1991 (a total of 28 tests for most traits).

Variety	Date mature	Yield bu/a	Height inches	Lodging score	Seed	Seed	Protein %	Oil %
					Quality score	Size g/100		
Agassiz	9/10	27.4	23	1.3	2.3	13.1	41.1	20.4
Clay	9/11	26.9	22	1.4	2.0	14.9	40.6	20.7

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
SOYBEAN (*Glycine max* L.)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station	TEMPORARY DESIGNATION M84-456	VARIETY NAME Agassiz
ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) University of Minnesota 220 Coffey Hall, 1420 Eckles Avenue St. Paul, MN 55108		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 9200242

Choose the appropriate response which characterizes the variety in the features described below. When the number of significant digits in your answer is fewer than the number of boxes provided, place a zero in the first box when number is 9 or less (e.g.,). Starred characters ★ are considered fundamental to an adequate soybean variety description. Other characters should be described when information is available.

1. SEED SHAPE:



1 = Spherical (L/W, L/T, and T/W ratios = < 1.2)
3 = Elongate (L/T ratio > 1.2; T/W = < 1.2)

2 = Spherical Flattened (L/W ratio > 1.2; L/T ratio = < 1.2)
4 = Elongate Flattened (L/T ratio > 1.2; T/W > 1.2)

★ 2. SEED COAT COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Yellow 2 = Green 3 = Brown 4 = Black 5 = Other (Specify) _____

3. SEED COAT LUSTER: (Mature Hand Shelled Seed)

1 = Dull ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton') 2 = Shiny ('Nebsoy'; 'Gasoy 17')

★ 4. SEED SIZE: (Mature Seed)

Grams per 100 seeds

★ 5. HILUM COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Buff 2 = Yellow 3 = Brown 4 = Gray 5 = Imperfect Black 6 = Black 7 = Other (Specify) _____

★ 6. COTYLEDON COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Yellow 2 = Green

★ 7. SEED PROTEIN PEROXIDASE ACTIVITY:

1 = Low 2 = High

★ 8. SEED PROTEIN ELECTROPHORETIC BAND:

1 = Type A (SP^{1a}) 2 = Type B (SP^{1b})

★ 9. HYPOCOTYL COLOR:

1 = Green only ('Evans'; 'Davis') 2 = Green with bronze band below cotyledons ('Woodworth'; 'Tracy')
3 = Light Purple below cotyledons ('Beeson'; 'Pickett 71')
4 = Dark Purple extending to unifoliate leaves ('Hodgson'; 'Coker Hampton 266A')

★ 10. LEAFLET SHAPE:

1 = Lanceolate 2 = Oval 3 = Ovate 4 = Other (Specify) _____

11. LEAFLET SIZE:

☐ 21 = Small ('Amsoy 71'; 'A5312')
3 = Large ('Crawford'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium ('Corsoy 79'; 'Gasoy 17')

12. LEAF COLOR:

☐ 21 = Light Green ('Weber'; 'York')
3 = Dark Green ('Gnome'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium Green ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton')

★ 13. FLOWER COLOR:

☐ 2

1 = White

2 = Purple

3 = White with purple throat

★ 14. POD COLOR:

☐ 2

1 = Tan

2 = Brown

3 = Black

★ 15. PLANT PUBESCENCE COLOR:

☐ 1

1 = Gray

2 = Brown (Tawny)

16. PLANT TYPES:

☐ 21 = Slender ('Essex'; 'Amsoy 71')
3 = Bushy ('Gnome'; 'Govan')

2 = Intermediate ('Amcor'; 'Braxton')

★ 17. PLANT HABIT:

☐ 3

1 = Determinate ('Gnome'; 'Braxton')

2 = Semi-Determinate ('Will')

3 = Indeterminate ('Nebsoy'; 'Improved Pelican')

★ 18. MATURITY GROUP:

☐ 0 ☐ 3

1 = 000

2 = 00

3 = 0

4 = I

5 = II

6 = III

7 = IV

8 = V

9 = VI

10 = VII

11 = VIII

12 = IX

13 = X

★ 19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

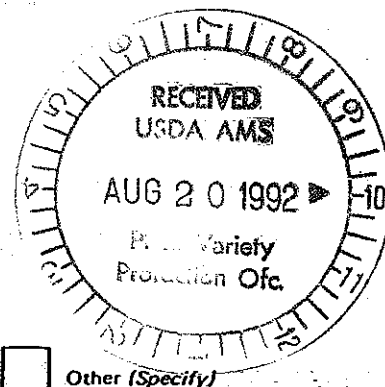
BACTERIAL DISEASES:

★ ☐ 0Bacterial Pustule (*Xanthomonas phaseoli* var. *sojensis*)★ ☐ 0Bacterial Blight (*Pseudomonas glycinea*)★ ☐ 0Wildfire (*Pseudomonas tabaci*)

FUNGAL DISEASES:

★ ☐ 0Brown Spot (*Septoria glycines*)Frogeye Leaf Spot (*Cercospora sojina*)★ ☐ 0

Race 1

☐ Race 2☐ Race 3☐ Race 4☐ Race 5☐ Other (Specify)☐ 0Target Spot (*Corynespora cassicola*)☐ 0Downy Mildew (*Peronospora trifoliorum* var. *manshurica*)☐ 0Powdery Mildew (*Microsphaera diffusa*)★ ☐ 1Brown Stem Rot (*Cephalosporium gregatum*)☐ 0Stem Canker (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var. *caulivora*)

19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant) (Continued)

FUNGAL DISEASES: (Continued)

- ★ ☐ 0 Pod and Stem Blight (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var. *sojae*)
- ☐ 0 Purple Seed Stain (*Cercospora kikuchii*)
- ☐ 0 Rhizoctonia Root Rot (*Rhizoctonia solani*)
- Phytophthora Rot (*Phytophthora megasperma* var. *sojae*)
- ★ ☐ 2 Race 1 ☐ 2 Race 2 ☐ 1 Race 3 ☐ 0 Race 4 ☐ 0 Race 5 ☐ 0 Race 6 ☐ 0 Race 7
- ☐ 0 Race 8 ☐ 0 Race 9 ☐ Other (Specify) _____

VIRAL DISEASES:

- ☐ 0 Bud Blight (Tobacco Ringspot Virus)
- ☐ 0 Yellow Mosaic (Bean Yellow Mosaic Virus)
- ★ ☐ 0 Cowpea Mosaic (Cowpea Chlorotic Virus)
- ☐ 0 Pod Mottle (Bean Pod Mottle Virus)
- ★ ☐ 0 Seed Mottle (Soybean Mosaic Virus)

NEMATODE DISEASES:

- Soybean Cyst Nematode (*Heterodera glycines*)
- ★ ☐ 0 Race 1 ☐ 0 Race 2 ☐ 1 Race 3 ☐ 0 Race 4 ☐ Other (Specify) _____
- ☐ 0 Lance Nematode (*Hoplotaimus Colombus*)
- ★ ☐ 0 Southern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne incognita*)
- ★ ☐ 0 Northern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne Hapla*)
- ☐ 0 Peanut Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne arenaria*)
- ☐ 0 Reniform Nematode (*Rotylenchulus reniformis*)
- ☐ OTHER DISEASE NOT ON FORM (Specify): _____

20. PHYSIOLOGICAL RESPONSES: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

- ★ ☐ 2 Iron Chlorosis on Calcareous Soil
- ☐ Other (Specify) _____

21. INSECT REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

- ☐ 0 Mexican Bean Beetle (*Epilachna varivestis*)
- ☐ 0 Potato Leaf Hopper (*Empoasca fabae*)
- ☐ Other (Specify) _____

22. INDICATE WHICH VARIETY MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLES THAT SUBMITTED.

CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY	CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY
Plant Shape	McCall	Seed Coat Luster	Clay
Leaf Shape	Ozzie	Seed Size	Maple Ridge
Leaf Color	Ozzie	Seed Shape	McCall
Leaf Size	Ozzie	Seedling Pigmentation	Clay

23. GIVE DATA FOR SUBMITTED AND SIMILAR STANDARD VARIETY: Paired Comparison Data

VARIETY	NO. OF DAYS MATURITY	PLANT LODGING SCORE	CM PLANT HEIGHT	LEAFLET SIZE		SEED CONTENT		SEED SIZE G/100 SEEDS	NO. SEEDS/POD
				CM Width	CM Length	% Protein	% Oil		
Agassiz Submitted	116	1.3	66	55	96	41.1	20.4	13.1	2.4
Clay Name of Similar Variety	117	1.4	63	61	88	40.6	20.7	14.9	2.3

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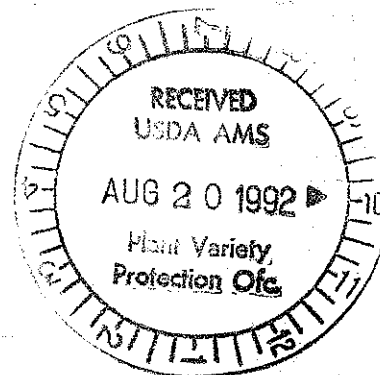


Exhibit E

Statement of the Basis of Ownership

The Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station is the owner of Agassiz soybean. The Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station of the University of Minnesota is the employer of the breeder who developed Agassiz.